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CYM-025 (11.009011)  
(2024738-2247387003)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ) Confirmation No.: 1770  
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Roy A. Ostgaard, et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1743  
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Serial No. 09/156,952 ) Examiner: Dwayne K. Handy  
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Filed: September 18, 1998 )  
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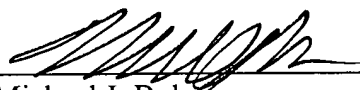
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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Response (6 pages) to Office Action, mailed July 14, 2004, for the above-identified application.

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Respectfully submitted,  
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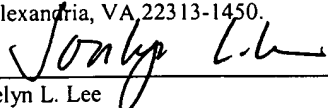
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In response to the Office Action, dated July 14, 2004, please amend the application as follows:

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